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IT IS 'PAYING OFF'

Some months, local and area citizens brought to have the National Park Service keep the historic McLean House at Old Appomattox open daily, year around. The Park Service granted this request, As a direct result, attendance at he Old Court House has increased sharply. We are informed that on a recent Sunday alone, nearly 900 persons visited the National Park area at Old Appomattox. We are proud of the increased attendance at this great Shrine of Peace.

FEDERAL AID MEANS FEDERAL CONTROL

We are indebted to our friend, Mr. H. T. Williams, of Pamplin, for calling to our attention a recent editorial in the Richmond, Va. News Leader, which points out in specific illustration that federal aid means federal control.

This is of special interest now as so many are advocating increased federal aid to our schools.

It has been traditional in Virginia to stand for the rights of states and local self-government. We see no reason for departing from that tradition.

W ecommend The News Leader for its consistent stand in this important issue, and we tha nk Mr. Williams for sending us a copy of their editorial.

A DATE TO REMEMBER

About this time sixteen years ago, August 14, 1945, the greatest war ever fought on this earth came to an end. After seeing two atomic bombs dropped on their homeland the Japanese decided it was time to surrender unconditionally, and they did so, as of August 14, 1945.

That ended a war which began on the morning of September 1st 1939, when Adolf Hitler's armies invaded Poland in Europe, some 8,000 miles away. Or, it might be said that it ended a war which began in 1937, when the Japanese and Chinese clashed and began the struggle which was to last for eight years.

The Germans and the British fought from 1939 until May 8th, 1945 - or a period of almost six years. The United States did not become involved until December 7, 1941, so that American participation in this war lasted only something over three years. But, unlike the case in World War I, American participation was undoubtedly decisive in World War II and the United States did not go into war with an allout effort and did suffer numerous fatalities and casualties, although the total was nothing like that suffered by Russia or Germany.

The result of the war, however or one of them, was that the United States emerged as the leading nation of the world and the leading force for democracy in a dangerous post war world . But back in 1945, at about this time, many of us were naive enough to think that there would be fifteen, twenty, or even thirty years of comparable peace, with democratic forces gaining the ascendancy everywhere.

This was a great dream, and the dream of the boys who fought and died in World War II, and unfortunately it has not come true. Even so, that August day in 1945 when the war had come to an end, will always be a special memory in the hearts of many, and will always be one on the most historic dates in American history.

Little Things Cause Trouble

One of the perversities of human nature is that often individuals blessed with many things in common, disagree violently and unintelligently upon the merits of a relatively minor matter.

There seems to be a trait in many individuals that compels them to be fighting about something all the time. If no major issues appear, they vigorously pump up minor questions, arousing ill feeling and promoting them in positions of seeming importance.

Much the same characteristic is evidenced in our attitude toward the institutions of mankind. Without giving proper proportion to the great and overwhelming good many of us incline to hunt up minor irritations and in the excitement of the search, we often lose sight of the tremendous good that exists.

REUTHER HITS THE NAIL

Walter Reuther, being questioned by a panel of reporters on a recent national television show, demonstrated once again the quick mind and ability which has made him both a successful labor leader and a highly controversial man on Capital Hill.

Of course, we cannot go along with Mr. Reuther on many of his ideas, which reach too far to the left to suit the concepts of many.

However, he made a strong point in the above-mentioned interview.

He points out that Russians operate their industrial capacity at virtually one hundred per cent, while we in the United States in the last half of last year operated our steel mills, for example, at less than fifty per cent of capacity.

Something is wrong when we let idle that production which may be the difference between our destruction and our survival, that capacity which would place our production well above that of Russia. We have some 5,000,000 workers idle. This is disturbing, to say the least. We should find a way to utilize our great industrial capacity, and employ our people. And the same goes for our farm capacity.

Chinese proverb: He who deliberates fully before taking a step will spend his entire life on one leg.

Few of our young ladies live to be twenty years of age without getting into some sort of beauty contest.

Subtle revival of femininity noted in Moscow.

Letter From Mr. le Roux

OPEN LETTERS TO THE NEWSPAPER

I knew it was coming for quite some time, but not until the time of my departure actually slipped up on me, did I realize the meaning of it and its impact.

Here in the town of Appomattox I resided for the past five years. Here I found and made a home and tasted the first experience of home and married life. My stay here ended ten years of travel, loneliness, and living in boarding houses, and transformed an empty life into one of usefulness and service. Friendships were made and sealed that will never be forgotten.

There is so much I would like to say, expressing my thoughts and feelings to those who made life so pleasant and rewarding, but words fail me. I am made to think of the lines written by Sir Philip Sydney, "Biting my truant pen, beating myself for spite. 'Fool' said my muse to me, 'look in thine heart and write.' As he advises, I'm speaking from my heart.

The friends in Appomattox County have been very gracious and kind to us. It has been most pleasant to have worked with the teachers all over the county, and in both schools where I served, Appomattox High and Pamplin Elementary. Our relationship has been most cordial and it has been a most rewarding experience to me to have been a member of this team of devoted educators.

I particularly want to pay tribute to Mr. Burke, Superintendent of Schools, who is a prover gentleman, possessing great patience. In the years that I worked under him I learned to admire him as a great leader in the field of Education, and a man whom all are proud of having as their school superintendent.

With patience and a deep concern Mr. Burke guided and directed me. He was very unselfish in his attitude and service towards others. He always gave praise, credit and encouragement where it was due. I am sorry to leave this school system and you, Mr. Burke, because we have had such a wonderful working relationship.

To Mrs. Holt, on whom I have so often unloaded my problems, and who was always ready with a cheerful answer, I would like to express my thanks and appreciation for her services which often went far beyond the scope of her duties.

In behalf of my wife and myself I would like to thank the school board for affording us the opportunity to work for them and the people of Appomattox County. We shall never forget you nor the lessons learned, and experiences gained here.

Daneel le Roux

Banks, Bailey, Drysdale adde to all-star team.

Nigerian tells House strong U. N. is needed.

Red China scores SEATO for offer to Laos.

Human beings may be divided into two great classes: those who do things and those who pretend to do things.

TOO MUCH FAT NOT GOOD FOR BROILERS

Poultry researchers at Virginia Polytechnic Institute have found that broiler dressing percentage can be altered by large amounts of fat in broiler rations.

Reporting at the Poultry Science Association meeting now in progress at Pennsylvania State University, Dr. E. O. Essary said that fat is deposited mainly in skin and abdominal cavity. There was a direct relationship between the amount of fat in the diet and the amount of fat in the carcass of test birds.

Essary explains that researchers are interested in finding rations which give broilers the desirable finish without depositing excess fat in the carcass which would alter dressing percentage.

An example shows how important this factor may be to processors. If dressing loss due to fat amounts to two percent, a processor dressing 30,000 three pound birds per day would lose 180 pounds of meat. Valued at 30 cents per pound, this is a daily loss of $54.

The fat level of rations also affected giblet weights. Percentage-wise, gizzards were smaller from birds fed higher levels of fat.

The researchers note that chicken has the lowest percentage of fat to the amount of protein present than any of the common meats.

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Mrs. H. T. Terry left Friday for a two week visit to her children, [illegible] Washington, D. C., Delaware, and Connecticutt.

Mrs. S. W. Brockwell, of Newport News, spent last week with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Calahan, of [illegible] N. J., are spending this week with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beale.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Earl Pankey, of Appomattox, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. E. L. Pankey.

Mrs. R. R. Young, of Prospect and Miss Louisa Carson, of Appomattox, were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McClenny on Thursday.

Miss Mary Watkins Booth, of Appomattox spent several days of last week with Miss Mary Wilson McClenny.

The B. W. C. of Elon Baptist Church met at the the church on Tuesday night.

Mrs. N. L. McClenny, Mrs. E. N. Harvey and son, Wilson are spending this week in the home of Mrs. F. C. Miller, of Locust Hill.

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Evergreen, Aug. 8.- Rev. H. N. Soyers, our suppy pastor of the Baptist Church, brought a fine message Sunday morning.

A large crowd attended the housewarming of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Staples last Thursday night.

E. T. Bruce spent part of last week with his mother, Mrs. Eva Snowden, of Port Royal, Va.

Mrs. David Garrette, of Washington, D. C., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner.

A large crowd attended the birthday party Sunday P. M., of Mrs. Ella Jennings.

Mrs. C. J. Paulette spent last Friday in Lynchburg in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Lerner and family.

Mrs. Mary Sullivan, of Lynchburg, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover.

Miss Barbara Kay Staples spent the week-end in Lynchburg visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Grishaw and daughter, Brenda, are spending this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bartlett, of Barnwell, S. C.

We extend sympathy to Mr. C. C. Harvey and daughter, Mrs. Emmitt Paulette in the death of wife and mother.

Mr. and Mrs. David I. Garrett are spending this week in Florida.

Mrs. Alberta C. Ferguson nas returned home from the hospital, improved, I am glad to say.

A number from here attended the funeral of Mrs. C. C. Harvey Sunday P. M, at Central Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Jennings and family, of Cambria, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Ella Jennings.

TAKE CARE WITH PICNIC FOODS

Picnics are fun for people and ants if the food is properly prepared and cared for prior to eating, says Dr. E. O. Essary of the poultry department at Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

Many moist foods, such as salad, sandwiches, cream pastries, meats, meat loaf cheese, casseroles, deviled eggs, and others need to be kept chilled until lunch time, says Essary.

Chilling will stop or slow the growth of bacteria which if present in quantity may make these foods capable of producing gastro intestinal upsets. A bacterium known as Staphlococcus aureus, or more commonly, as "golden staph," can produce a toxin which can make picnickers very ill. It is but one of many bacteria which may be harmful to people.

This bacterium is found practically everywhere and is present on the skin, in soil and in water. Through careless handling it finds its way into picnic foods and under suitable conditions can multiply undetected. Food can smell good and look good, warns Essary, and still be contaminated with bacteria.

The harmful toxin can be produced in as little as four hours if food is kept at a temperature between 50 and 120 degrees Fahrenheit.

To insure safe picnic foods, here are some suggestions: Wash the hands thoroughly before preparing food. (Person with colds should not prepare foods.) Keep insects away during food preparation. Wrap sandwiches and other prepared foods carefully before leaving for the picnic. Keep the food out of the sunshine on the way to the picnic.

Some foods are better warm and these should be kept above 120 degrees Fahrenheit in a thermos jug or warming device. A cooler packed with ice can keep other foods below 50 degrees and thus make sure they are safe.

Javits opposes Newburg relief plan as a model.

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